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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1772

PATENT

Docket No.: 57384US002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ROBERT K. GALKIEWICZ, BRIAN E. SPIEWAK, DENNIS R. NICHOLS AND
JANET R. KIRKMAN

Application No.: 10/044,367 Group Art Unit: 1772

Filed: January 10, 2002 Examiner: N. Ahmad

Title: MICROSTRUCTURED RELEASE LINER

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Attached is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee for this amendment is computed as follows:

Claims As Amended						
(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims	37	Minus	** 41	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus	*** 3	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
Additional fee for filing one or more multiple dependent claims, if no such fee has been previously paid					\$290.00	
Total Additional Fee For This Amendment →						\$0.00
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Please charge to Deposit Account 13-3723 any fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application. This authorization includes the fee for any extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) that may be necessary. To the extent any such extension should become necessary, it is hereby requested. One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

March 19, 2004

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed October 22, 2003, in the above-identified application.

A separate Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the extension of time fee to Assignee's deposit account is included with this Amendment.